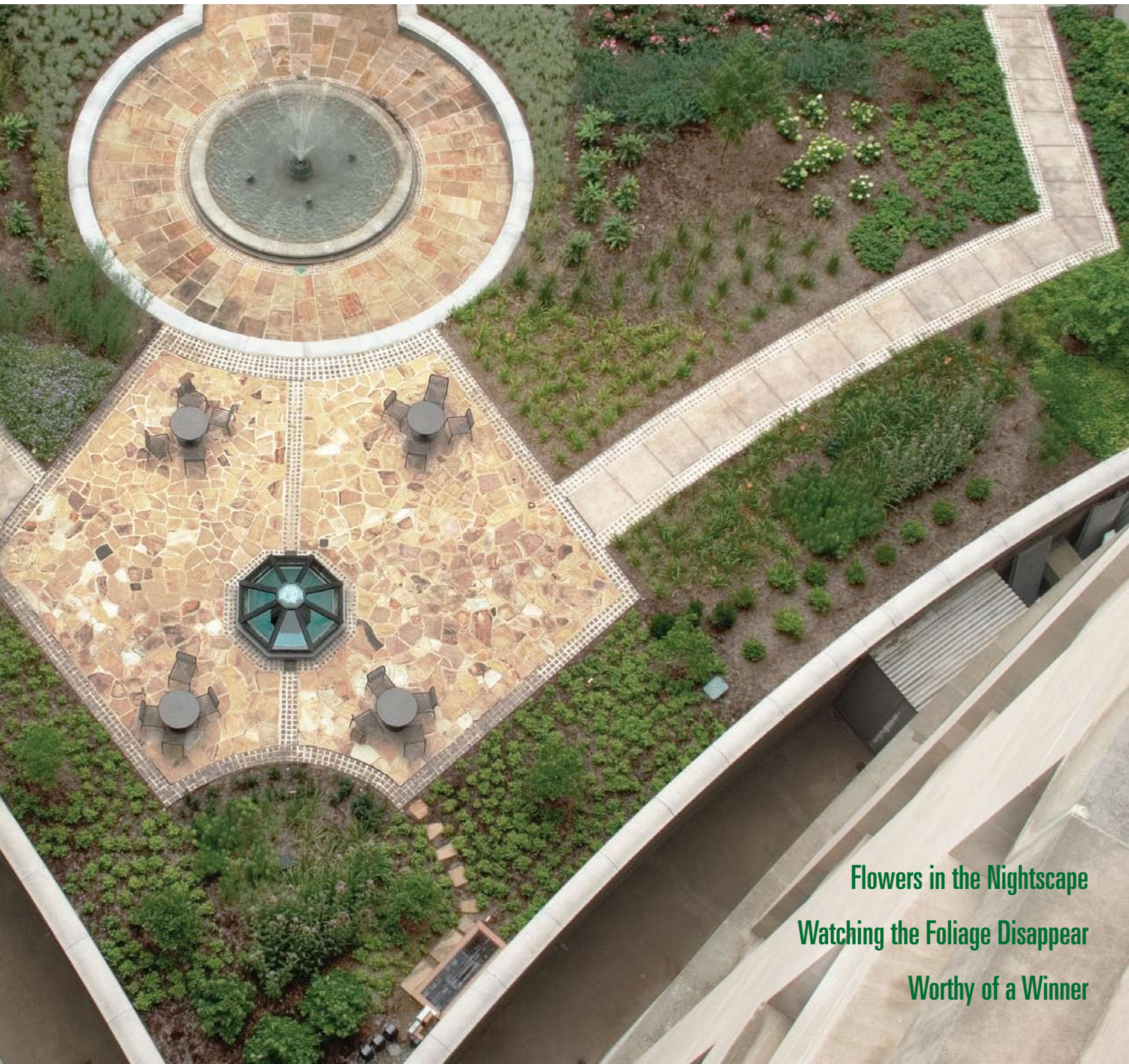


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Flowers in the Nightscape
Watching the Foliage Disappear
Worthy of a Winner

Ariel Rios South Courtyard

Commercial Landscape Installation

John Shorb Landscaping, Inc.

— GRAND AWARD —



What would you expect from a courtyard makeover at the EPA headquarters in downtown Washington, D.C.? Innovative thinking! And that's what went into this project. Located in the courtyard of the Ariel Rios building of the EPA headquarters, this is a collaborative "demonstration project" involving the EPA's Office of Water Quality and the General Services Administration. The project is designed to showcase low impact development and storm water management techniques. The cistern is a central feature in the garden and is given a prominent location in the patio area. The remainder of the site includes paths, patio, and a planting of mostly native sustainable plantings that have proven to perform well in urban environments. ♦

